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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Operations

SUBJECT : Notice of Decisions Concerning Overseas Stations

Bill:

My Office Directors and Planning Officers have mentioned from time to time that the Management and Services Directorate is not being given sufficient advance notice on major decisions concerning overseas stations when there is often a significant impact on this Directorate. It is usually the Offices of Communications and Logistics which are most often caught by surprise on a matter which has already been referred to the DCI. One of the Office Directors had this as an agenda item for our recent [redacted] conference, STAT because of his sincere concern about prior planning, and the proper allocation of manpower and resources.

Attached herewith are two relatively recent examples of DDO memos to the DCI, which refer to the opening or closing of bases. There is certainly no objection to the substantive content; I realize you have some very hard decisions to make in these areas; and I do not question your prerogatives in the operational arena. Where there is an impact on the DD/M&S, however, as would normally be the situation in terms of Communications and Logistics, I would like to have the opportunity to coordinate on these matters, before it is in concrete, and before it is referred to the DCI. My senior Directorate offi-

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